

OPINION 977

SCOPARIA MACROPHANES MEYRICK, 1888 (INSECTA,
LEPIDOPTERA): REJECTION OF NEOTYPE FOLLOWING
REDISCOVERY OF HOLOTYPE

RULING.—(1) The neotype designated by Zimmerman, 1958, for *Scoparia macrophanes* Meyrick, 1888, is hereby set aside.

(2) The specific name *macrophanes* Meyrick, 1888, as published in the binomen *Scoparia macrophanes*, as interpreted by its holotype (female, Hawaiian Islands, T. Blackburn, 1881, in British Museum (Natural History)), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2472.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1883)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. Eugene Munroe in March 1969. Dr. Munroe's application was sent to the printer on 2 May 1969 and was published on 24 October 1969 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 26 : 167-170. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 9 June 1971 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (71)10 either for or against the proposal set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 26 : 169. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 9 September 1971 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—sixteen (16), received in the following order: Holthuis, Vokes, Mayr, Lemche, Melville, Binder, Simpson, Starobogatov, Bonnet, Alvarado, Jaczewski, Sabrosky, Eisenmann, Tortonese, Forest, Munroe.

Negative votes—one (1): Ride.

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Kraus.

Commissioner Brinck returned a late affirmative vote. Dr. Ride made the following comment in returning his negative vote: "The neotype is a localized specimen and should be retained in preference to the superseded holotype which is without precise locality. The second species could then be based upon accurately localized material as well."

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following is the original reference for the name placed on an Official List by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

macrophanes, *Scoparia*, Meyrick, 1888, *Trans. ent. Soc. London* 1888 : 231

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (71)10 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted,

and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 977.

R. V. MELVILLE
Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London
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